

## OUR CHRISTMAS LIST OF TRADESMEN

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And everyone knows, who knows anything at all about it, the making of a perfect Christmas pudding is a labor of love. It must contain something to the orthodox, it must contain some score or so of various component elements, and the due weighing and mixing of these is a tremendous labor. The whole work, too, should be completed at least twenty-four hours before the dinner, and it should be safely deposited in the caldron and boiled for a goodly time. Then, when the pudding is done, it is then allowed to cool and, as a rule, is boiled on Christmas day itself for about an equal length of time. Then there are besides the fruit and nuts or decorations, the decorations, the decorations, the decorations, the Christmas tree, and innumerable other things to be looked after and remembered. Verily, this business of Christmas shopping is an endless thought.

We shall now, in pursuance of our usual custom, give a list of a few of the principal stores where

The Primary Department of Grammar School No. 1, 1111 11th street, between Third and Fourth avenues, gave a reception last evening. The room was densely crowded by the parents and mothers of the little ones. After an appropriate opening of prayer, the following program was given: a lengthy but most choice and interesting programme of Exercises, Christmas carols, recitations and dialogues, with tableaux, charades, and songs. The program was most successful and to the entertainment. All acquitted themselves finely, reflecting great credit on Mrs. Elizabeth Vance, the popular and efficient Principal. Among the addresses were those of Mrs. J. C. Perkins, of the Wesleyan Union, and of Mrs. J. C. Perkins, of the Wesleyan Union, both of whom spoke with the occasion. Mr. Hosea B. Perkins, one of the foremost of our public spirited citizens in his interest in the welfare of our community, and of our schools, spoke, but he was unavoidably kept away through illness.

Books are popular and appropriate presents for the child. There are innumerable other articles

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YEARS OLD. Two other little story books—"THE YAGABOND," and "CLAUDE SPENCER AND WADSWORTH," under one cover, both by MRS. F. Marshall Ward, published by T. Whitaker & Company, White House, complete our present list of tales in prose for children. "THE LADY ELGIVA," a Christmas Myth in verse, by the author of "Bertha Weisser's Wish," is the last and the least in size of all the holiday books for boys and girls that have been placed upon our table. In the splendid establishments of the various publishers and booksellers, however, will be found hundreds of other works, suitable for people of all tastes and ages, and some of them may be even more attractive than several of those that we have mentioned.

**"NOBBY CLARK" AGAIN IN TROUBLE.**

William Harding, alias "Nobby Clark," one of the most expert pickpockets in the city, was arraigned before Justice Cox at Jefferson Market yesterday morning. Theodore W. Todd, of 77 Front street, charges that on Wednesday night, while on the roof platform of one of the New Haven Railroad cars, Harding and a companion shoved against him. He is charged for his wallet, containing \$20 in money, and found it missing. He immediately seized Harding and handcuffed him over to the custody of Officer Frank. The twenty-ninth precinct. His accomplice succeeded in making his escape with the plunder. Harding was charged, but was looked up for examination.